House Resolution No. 1740

Whereas, Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) maintenance crews are made up of talented and dedicated men and women whose goal is to serve Missourians; and

Whereas, MoDOT's main priority is to make sure motorists get where they are going safely; and

Whereas, when winter weather and storms hit Missouri, MoDOT's District 4 maintenance crews are ready to respond; and

Whereas, more than 2,800 maintenance workers and 1,800 vehicles are available for snow removal on the Department's 32,000-mile highway system; and

Whereas, Mother Nature's demand on MoDOT snowballed this winter, with the Department spending more than \$46 million to remove snow and ice; and

Whereas, MoDOT District 4 maintenance crews used nearly 50,415 tons of salt and 675,653 gallons of salt brine and other deicing materials to keep approximately 6,700 lane-miles clear this winter; and

Whereas, MoDOT District 4 maintenance crews worked thirty-two days fighting winter weather this year, working every weekend during the month of December; and

Whereas, MoDOT District 4 maintenance crews did a tremendous job of clearing the roadways as quickly as possible whenever Missouri was hit with a snow or ice storm; and

Whereas, this work can be dangerous and often requires crews to work around the clock; and

Whereas, MoDOT District 4 maintenance crews sacrifice time spent with loved ones on weekends and holidays; and

Whereas, MoDOT District 4 maintenance crews barely had a break from the winter snow and ice before they were again called into action to respond to the recent flooding; and

Whereas, all Missourians are served by their efforts:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to commend the Missouri Department of Transportation District 4 maintenance crews for their outstanding service to the state of Missouri; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the District 4 Missouri Department of Transportation maintenance crews.

Offered by

Representative David Pearce District No. 121

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1740, adopted April 10, 2008.